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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Railroad Administration

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Alcohol and Drug Testing: Determination of Minimum Random Testing Rates for 2012

AGENCY: Federal Railroad Administration (FRA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of Determination.

According to data from FRA's Management Information System, the rail industry's random drug testing positive rate has remained below 1.0 percent for the last two years. The Federal Railroad Administrator (Administrator) has therefore determined that the minimum annual random drug testing rate for the period January 1, 2012, through December 31, 2012, will remain at 25 percent of covered railroad employees. In addition, because the industry-wide random alcohol testing violation rate has remained below 0.5 percent for the last two years, the Administrator has determined that the minimum random alcohol testing rate will remain at 10 percent of covered railroad employees for the period January 1, 2012, through December 31, 2012. Railroads remain free, as always, to conduct random testing at higher rates.

DATES: This notice of determination is effective [Insert date of publication in the Federal Register].

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